മിസ്റ്റർ ആർ. വിശ്വനാഥൻ ചെട്ടിയാർ (*Nemmara*).—ചിറ്റൂർ താലൂക്കായതുകൊണ്ടാണോ ഇതു വേണ്ടെന്നുവെച്ചതു്?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—The assumption is altogether unfounded.

മിസ്റ്റർ വി. കെ. കുട്ടി (*Muslims*).—ഫണ്ടിൽ എങ്കിലും ഇതു ചെയ്യുവാൻ കഴിയുമോ?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).—What was done, Sir, is finding that it required a fairly large investment some temporary buildings were put up. In view of the other smaller items of expenditure which were more urgent they had to be given preference. Every effort will be made to see that the work is carried out as speedily as possible.

Water Scarcity—Trichur.

235. Mr. T. S. Balarama Ayyar (*Trichur North*).—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they are aware that scarcity of water is keenly felt in Trichur for at least 3 months in the year;

(b) whether they are aware that in the summer months dozens of people could be seen at almost every street tap warring against one another for getting water;

(c) what is the population of Trichur and what is the approximate quantity of water supplied by the street taps per diem;

(d) has the Director of Health ever examined in summer the quality of water available for bathing purposes in the big tanks Padinjara chira, Vadakka chira, Eratta chira, etc.;

(e) does the Director of Health think that from a sanitary point of view the water of these tanks are fit for bathing purposes;

(f) have Government taken any definite steps in the matter of ensuring an adequate supply of good water for Trichur in the near future and if so what steps have been taken or are proposed to be taken?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar (*Joint Secretary to Government*).—(a) Yes.

(b) The taps are being used freely by people.

(c) According to the Census Report of 1931 the population of Trichur town is 45,658. The average quantity of water

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pumped to the Trichur Town in Medam last was 1,18,218 gallons per diem.

(d) No.

(e) During summer months the water in these tanks is sometimes not so good as may be desirable from a sanitary point of view.

(f) A scheme is under the consideration of Government for impounding water at Naduthodu and supplying it to the Town.

Ernakulam—Town Improvement of.

236. Mr. P. C. Varkey *(Ernakulam North).*— Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) whether they propose to take up the question of improving the Town of Ernakulam in the immediate future;

(2) if the answer is in the affirmative:

(a) will the Government be pleased to give a general idea of the scheme of improvements they propose to carry out at Ernakulam;

(b) whether as stated in the opening speech by the Diwan President in the last budget session it is arranged to appoint a full-time Town Planning Officer to design and execute the improvements;

(c) whether the Government would be pleased to include in the scope of the scheme the undeveloped portion of Ernakulam north of the Railway Station Road?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Joint Secretary to Government).*—(1) The question of improving Ernakulam Town is under the consideration of Government.

(2) Since the question is only under consideration, it is not possible to give any definite reply to these points.

Staff-quarters—Narakkal.

237. Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal.)*—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether there is any Staff-quarters at Narakkal;

(b) how many public offices there are at Narakkal;

(c) whether the Inspecting Officers do not feel great inconvenience for the want of a Staff-quarters at Narakkal;

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